WASHINGTON D.C. – Congressman John B. Larson (CT-01) released the following statement today on President Obama's speech on reducing our long-term deficit:

"President Obama went straight to the American public today with a plan to grow the economy, create jobs and get the deficit under control without putting the burden on the backs of seniors who depend on Medicare or live in nursing homes, or on workers who've lost their health care, or on our veterans or students and their families. They've all sacrificed enough already. That's the key difference between our vision for the nation and the Republican's: shared sacrifice and fairness.

"I applaud the President for drawing a line in the sand – with respect to our seniors and Medicare and Social Security, and for the basic fairness that all Americans deserve."

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